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1. An iron pyrites mine, employing 300 workers in three shifts, is located approximately one kilometer south of Elshitsa village (N4221 E2413). Wages are from 20 to 70 leva per day depending upon production.
2. The mine is worked at a depth of about 75 meters and produces approximately 240 tons of ore daily. The ore is transported to Pazardzhik by Skoda trucks with trailers. Eight to 10 trucks are available and each carries a load of approximately 18 tons.
3. It is generally believed by the workers that the pyrites are shipped to the Soviet Union and Czechoslovakia.
4. In June 1952, a road was completed between the mine and the Pazardzhik-Panagyurishte highway. The road has a crushed stone surface four meters wide and gravel shoulders two meters wide.

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